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18 February 2015

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Instruction (MOI) for Fort Sill Sergeant Audie Murphy Club Selection Board, 2<sup>nd</sup> QTR, CY15

1. References: TRADOC Reg 600-14, dated 01 Feb 1999  
FORSCOM Reg 600-80, dated 01 Mar 2007.
2. Purpose: To provide implementation instructions for the administration of the Fort Sill Sergeant Audie Murphy Club (SAMC) selection board.
3. General: Fort Sill will hold its 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, Fires Center of Excellence Sergeant Audie Murphy Club Board on 16-17 April 2015. Performance Test will be at Ft. Sill Noncommissioned Officer Academy (NCOA), Bldg 3661. Board location is the Regimental Conference Room (RCR), 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Bldg 455 (McNair Hall). This is not a competition but an individual effort, do not discuss or work with any other candidate during the selection board.
4. Eligibility: All active Army, Army Reserve, and Army National Guard NCOs in the ranks Corporal through Sergeant First Class, assigned or attached to Fort Sill units. Specifically, candidates must meet the following requirements:
  - a. **Candidates are not required to currently be in a leadership position, but must have at least two years of successful previous leadership experience at the section or platoon level.**
  - b. **Candidates must have attained at least 270 points or 170 points with a permanent profile on their latest Army Physical Fitness Test.**
  - c. **Candidates must not have experienced any disciplinary actions in the past four years. NCOs cited for DUI/DWI, drug offenses, or child/spouse abuse, are permanently disqualified for induction into the SAMC.**
5. Selection Process:
  - a. The selection into the SAMC will be in six (6) phases:
    - (1) Phase I - Commander's Nomination/Evaluation and Performance: Unit commanders who recommend NCOs for membership will pre-screen unit training records and personnel files. They will evaluate candidates based on recorded accomplishments prior to

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appearance before any initial selection board. A sample format for the Commander's SAMC Nomination/Evaluation and Performance is at Enclosure 1.

(2) Phase II - Initial Selection Board: An initial selection board will be conducted at Battalion level under the direction of the unit's senior NCO.

(3) Phase III - Intermediate Selection Board: An intermediate selection board will be conducted at Brigade level command. Candidate nomination packets will be IAW Enclosure 2.

(4) Phase IV – Performance Test: 16 April 2015 / 0600 hrs. The SAMC performance test will be conducted at the NCOA, Bldg 3661 NLT than 0550 hrs. All candidates are responsible for identifying the test area prior to test day. Candidates will bring the Performance test worksheet with them the morning of. Each candidate will go through series of tasks to include; APFT (270 or above without permanent profile or 170 or above with permanent profile), weapons (M-16A2/M249; assemble – 3 minutes, disassemble - 3 minutes, identify components, functions check) and conduct classroom instruction. Classes will last 10 minutes +/- 2 minutes, and will be graded on the above criteria. Two or more “No-Go’s” in any area will result in disqualification. The key element in this task is subject knowledge and confidence, just as would be the case while giving a class to Soldiers. The classroom portion will be conducted immediately after the weapons in one of the NCOA Classrooms, as will the height and weight directly following the PT Test. Ensure that all candidates have all items needed for Phase IV at this time. No one will be allotted time to leave to retrieve items. Each section of the performance test will be graded on a “GO” or “NO GO” scale. If at any time the candidate fails to complete a task, he/she will be disqualified from consideration. Topics for classroom instruction: (choose one of the following)

Army Leadership Requirements Model

Army Body Composition Program

Profession of Arms (FY15/16 America's Army-Our Profession “Living the Army Ethic”)

**\*\*NOTE:** candidate can return for consideration at future SAMC Boards**\*\***

(5) Phase V - Final Selection Board: 17 April 2015/0900 hrs. The SAMC final selection board will be comprised of the CSM, USAFCOEFS, as the president and three or more Command Sergeants Major or Sergeants Major appointed by the president, and a recorder without vote. Candidates are required to have a unit sponsor, senior to them in grade/position, present at the selection board. Candidates require a unanimous vote from the board members to be recommended for induction. Candidates not selected for induction will be verbally counseled by the board president. The candidates selected for induction will be introduced to the local SAMC chapter and presented appropriate awards.

(a) Candidate Nomination packets: Nomination Packets for the Phase V Final Selection Board will be prepared IAW Enclosure 2 and hand-carried to McNair Hall, Bldg 455, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 213 NLT 1100 hrs on 08 April 2015, **NO PACKETS WILL BE ACCEPTED LATE. There should be a total of six packets, original plus five color copies. Only the original packet should be in a binder, the rest stapled and neatly placed in a**

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**folder w/cover sheet.** Candidates will hand carry their leaders book to the board. Nominees must report with their sponsor on the selection board day no later than (NLT) 0830 hrs.

(b) Uniform: Nominees will wear the Army Service Uniform (ASU) (Female with slacks only), with all awards and decorations. Sponsors will wear the Army Service Uniform (ASU) (Female with slacks only), with all awards and decorations. Board members will wear the Army Combat Uniform (ACU).

(6) Phase VI - Induction Ceremony: The SAMC induction ceremony will be scheduled by the SAMC president. Once scheduled, the date will be put out by G3. In the event that the proper documents have not been received from the individual MACOMs, the induction portion may be rescheduled. Uniform for inductees is ACUs for all events. Attire for spouses or guests is duty/business casual.

6. Commands and their subjects are as follows:

CSM Lindsey, Brian	Board President	Without Vote
CSM Aaron, Mark	Board Member	APFT/ Physical Fitness (FM 7-22), Army Body Composition Program (AR 600-9), Uniforms and Awards (AR 670-1/AR 600-8-22), First Aid (FM 4-25.11), Profession Of Arms ( <a href="http://cape.army.mil">http://cape.army.mil</a> )
CSM Poindexter, Taylor	Board Member	Army Leadership (ADP/ADRP 6-22), Training Units and Developing Leaders (ADP/ADRP 7-0), Weapons (FM 3-22.9), Land Navigation (FM 3-25.26)
SGM Goode, Marlana	Board Member	Knowledge of Family & Soldier Support Agencies, NCOES Requirements and Procedures, Unified Land Operation (ADP/ADRP 3-0), CBRN (FM's 3-11, 3-11.3 CHG 1, 3-11.4 CHG 1, 3-11.5)
CSM Harrison, Brian	Board Member	History of the NCO Creed (FM 7-22.7), Soldier Creed –Warrior Ethos (FM 6-22), Drill and Ceremony (TC 3-21.5), PMCS (AR 750-1), The Army (ADP/ADRP 1)
SGM Larsen, Paul SAMC Representative	Board Member	Knowledge of Audie Murphy, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division History, Dog Face Soldier Song, Preparing Defensive Fighting Positions, US Government, Leader's Book (FM 7-22.7)
SFC Scharton, Bobby	Recorder	without Vote

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7. The point of contact for this memorandum is SFC Scharton, Bobby at (580) 442-4619.

///ORIGINAL SIGNED///

BRIAN K. LINDSEY

CSM, USA

Command Sergeant Major of the  
Fires Center of Excellence

Enclosures:

1. Commander's Nomination  
Evaluation and Performance
2. Nomination Packet Contents
3. Sample Performance Test
4. SAMC Classroom Evaluation Grade Sheet
5. SAMC Weapons Station Grade Sheet (M249)
6. SAMC Weapons Station Grade Sheet (M16A2)
7. Candidate Biography Format
8. Biographical Narrative of Audie L. Murphy
9. CMH Citation for Audie L. Murphy

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CMDT, U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy

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CSM, 428<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade

CSM, 434<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade

CSM, 75<sup>th</sup> Fires Brigade

CSM, 214<sup>th</sup> Fires Brigade

CSM, 31<sup>st</sup> Air Defense Artillery Brigade

CSM, 30<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Artillery Brigade

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(Enclosure 1) Format for Unit Commander's Nomination/Evaluation and Performance

Office Symbol

Date

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMC Selection Board

SUBJECT: Sergeant Audie Murphy Club Nomination/Evaluation and Performance

1. I recommend \_\_\_\_\_ be considered for membership and induction.  
The following information is submitted.

- a. LAST, FIRST, M.I. NAME: RANK:
- b. PMOS/SMOS:
- c. SSN: (Full SSN)
- d. UNIT:
- e. DUTY POSITION:
- f. DATE OF ASSIGNMENT:
- g. NUMBER OF SOLDIERS OR STUDENTS (if applicable):
- h. TIME AS AN NCO:
- i. PAST AND PRESENT NCO DUTY POSITIONS:
- j. BASD:
- k. ETS:
- l. APFT SCORE: DATE TESTED:
- m. WEAPON QUALIFICATION SCORE: MM SS EX DATE TESTED:
- n. LAST CTT DATE:
- o. CIVILIAN EDUCATION:
- p. NCOES COMPLETED:
- q. ALL AWARDS/DECORATIONS:
- r. PAST UNFAVORABLE ACTIONS:

2. Examples citing the nominee's leadership/mentoring performance or their ability to take care of Soldiers and families.

**JONATHAN F. DOE**  
CPT, FA  
Commanding

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(Enclosure 2) Nomination Packet Contents

Packets will be assembled in a three ring binder, dividers and tabs are optional, and that contains the following information/documents in order.

1. Table of Contents.
2. Recommendation letter from Brigade/Garrison level CSM.
3. Commander's Nomination/Evaluation, and performance format.
4. Performance Test.
5. A one page, double-spaced, justified, biographical narrative highlighting the candidate's background and career. (**no title or graphics**). It will be typed in New Times Roman font size 10 letters in the format at enclosure 3.
6. Complete updated Enlisted Record Brief (ERB); (**within 30 days prior to board**).
7. DA Form 705 (APFT Card) and if required DA Form 5500 (body fat content) (**within 30 days prior to board**).
8. All awards and decorations, certificates of achievement, appreciation, graduation and/or letters of commendation, appreciation, recommendation deemed appropriate. List items in order of precedence from newest to oldest.
9. All military/civilian school transcripts. List items in order of precedence from newest to oldest.
10. Documentation of volunteer time to military or civilian organizations.

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(Enclosure 3) – Performance Test

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMA Selection Board

SUBJECT: SAMA Performance Test

1. The following performance test results are submitted for SGT John Doe, a SAMA nominee.

NAME: SSN: (Full SSN) UNIT:

DOR:

DOB: ETS:

PMOS: NCOES:

NUMBER OF SOLDIERS SUPERVISED:

NAME/ADDRESS OF PNOK:

AWARDS/DECORATIONS:

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

APFT: WEAPON QUAL:

SUBORDINATE ACHIEVEMENTS:

APFT: WEAPON QUAL:

2. The following information concerning discipline of subordinates is provided:

AWOL: UCMJ: DWI:

3. The following additional comments are provided:

1SG/CSM

Signature Block

(Enclosure 4) – SAMC Classroom Evaluation Grade Sheet

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## SAMC EVALUATION GRADE SHEET

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Start time \_\_\_\_\_

End time \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Appearance**

**GO / NO GO**

**2. Introduction**

**GO / NO GO**

**3. Instruction**

**GO / NO GO**

Did the Candidate provide the following?

Risk Assessment

\_\_\_\_\_

Administrative Notes

\_\_\_\_\_

Task/ Condition/ Standard

\_\_\_\_\_

Motivator / Lead-in

\_\_\_\_\_

Terminal Learning Objective/  
Enabling Learning Objective

\_\_\_\_\_

Summary

\_\_\_\_\_

Demonstration/ Hands on

\_\_\_\_\_

Check on Learning / Evaluation

\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Training aids / equipment**

**GO / NO GO**

**5. Knowledge of subject area**

**GO / NO GO**

**6. Recommend Candidate move on to Phase 4 (Final selection board):**

**YES**

**NO**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grader (Last, First, Rank)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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(Enclosure 5) – SAMC Weapons Station Grade Sheet (M249)

### SAMC EVALUATION GRADE SHEET

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Start time \_\_\_\_\_

End time \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Cleared weapon** **GO / NO GO**

**2. Disassembled weapon in three minutes or less** **GO / NO GO**

**3. Identified the major components of the weapon** **GO / NO GO**  
**(REF: FM 3-22.68, Figure 1-2)**

- (a) Barrel Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Heat Shield Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Receiver Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Buttstock and Buffer Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Trigger Mechanism \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) Gas Cylinder Group \_\_\_\_\_
- (g) Bipod Group \_\_\_\_\_
- (h) Return rod and transfer mechanism assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (i) Return Spring \_\_\_\_\_
- (j) Piston Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (k) Bolt Assembly \_\_\_\_\_
- (l) Slide Assembly \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Reassembled the weapon in three minutes or less** **GO / NO GO**

**5. Performed functions check on weapon** **GO / NO GO**

**6. Recommend Candidate move on to Phase 4 (Final selection board):** **YES** **NO**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grader (Last, First, Rank)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

(Enclosure 6) – SAMC Weapons Station Grade Sheet (M16A2)

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## SAMC EVALUATION GRADE SHEET

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Start time \_\_\_\_\_

End time \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Cleared weapon**

**GO / NO GO**

**2. Disassembled weapon in three minutes or less**

**GO / NO GO**

**3. Identified the major components of the weapon  
(REF: 3-22.9,**

**GO / NO GO**

(a) Charging Handle

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Upper Receiver

\_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hand Guard

\_\_\_\_\_

(d) Lower Receiver

\_\_\_\_\_

(e) Buffer Assembly with Spring

\_\_\_\_\_

(f) Bolt Carrier

\_\_\_\_\_

(g) Firing Pin

\_\_\_\_\_

(h) Firing Pin Retaining Pin

\_\_\_\_\_

(i) Extractor

\_\_\_\_\_

(j) Ejector

\_\_\_\_\_

(k) Extractor Pin

\_\_\_\_\_

(l) Bolt Cam Pin

\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Reassembled the weapon in three minutes or less**

**GO / NO GO**

**5. Performed functions check on weapon**

**GO / NO GO**

**4. Recommend Candidate move on to Phase 4 (Final selection board):**

**YES**

**NO**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grader (Last, First, Rank)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

(Enclosure 7) Candidate's Biography Format

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Staff Sergeant John B. Doe was born on 12 May 1954, in Anytown, Yourstate. He graduated from Generic Senior High School in June 1972. He entered the Delayed Entry Program in September then entered Active Duty in December 1982. He attended One Station Unit Training (OSUT) for 13E, Cannon Fire Direction Specialist at Alpha Battery, 4th Training Battalion, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

SSG Doe is currently assigned to E Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 99<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery as the S-2 NCOIC. His previous assignments include C Battery, 2nd Battalion 37th Field Artillery, Headquarters, Fort Sill; B Battery, 2nd Battalion 39th Field Artillery, Larson Barracks, Kitzingen, Germany; Headquarters, B Battery 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery (Light), Fort Drum, New York and B Battery, 1st Battalion, 4th Field Artillery, Camp Pelham, Korea. Duty positions have included Advance Party Man, Back-Up Computer System (BUCS) Operator, Senior Fire Direction Specialist, Chief Fire Direction Computer, Tracked Vehicle Driver, Battalion Schools NCOIC, Battalion S-3 Operations Sergeant, Unit Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Coordinator, Service School Instructor (PLDC), and Range Control Shift Supervisor.

His military education includes Basic Soldier Education Program-Math, Primary Leadership Development Course, 13E Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course, and Combat Lifesaver Course. Civilian education includes Central Texas College and is currently enrolled at Great Plains Vo-Tech School for Computer Support Specialist. He is half-way to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Multi-Media Design.

SSG Doe's awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal-6th Award, Army Achievement Medal-5th Award, Good Conduct Medal-5th Award, National Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Development Ribbon with numeral "2", Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral "2", Driver's and Mechanic's Badge for Tracked Vehicles, Air Assault Badge, various military and civilian Letters and Certificates of Achievement, Appreciation and Recommendation and numerous Commander and Command Sergeant Major Coins of Excellence. He has been selected as NCO of the Month-OCT 88 and DEC 94 and NCO of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY 88. Sergeant Doe is a member of the Noncommissioned Officer Association, Association of the United States Army, and United States Field Artillery Association.

SSG Doe is currently assigned to E Battery, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 99<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery as the S-2 NCOIC. His goal is to complete a Bachelors of Science Degree. In his off-duty time, he participates in Wings of Eagles and Toys-For-Tots. He and his wife, Carolyn, reside in Lawton with their two teenage sons, Huey-17 and Dewey-20.

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(Enclosure 8) Biographical Narrative of Audie L. Murphy

Audie Leon Murphy was a legend in his own time. A war hero, movie actor, writer of country and western songs, and poet. His biography reads more like fiction than fact. He lived only 46 years, but made a lasting impression on American history. Audie was born on a sharecropper's farm in North Texas on June 20, 1924. As a boy, he chopped cotton for one dollar a day and was noted for his feats of derring-do and his accuracy with a gun. He had only 5 years of schooling and was orphaned at age 16. After being refused enlistment during World War II in both the Marines and Paratroopers for being too small (5'5") and underweight (110 lbs.), he enlisted in the U.S. Army a few days after his 18th birthday.

After basic training at Camp Wolters, Texas, and advanced training at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, Audie was sent overseas. He was assigned to the famous 15th Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Infantry Division where he fought in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, and Germany. He earned a battlefield commission for his courage and leadership ability, as well as, citations and decorations including every medal for valor that America gives. He was also awarded one Belgian and three French medals. Lieutenant Audie Murphy is the highest decorated soldier in American history.

Discharged from the Army on September 21, 1945, Audie went to Hollywood at the invitation of movie star James Cagney. He remained in California for the rest of his life and was closely associated with the movie industry, both as an actor and a producer. He acted in 44 films starring in 39 of them. His best known film is "To Hell and Back", adapted from the bestselling book of his war experiences by the same name. Most of his movies were westerns. In 1955, Audie Murphy was voted the Most Popular Western Actor in America by the Motion Picture Exhibitors. Audie wrote the lyrics to 16 country and western songs, the most popular of which was "Shutters and Boards", written with Scott Turner in 1962. The song was recorded by over 30 pop singers, including Jerry Wallace, Dean Martin, and Porter Waggoner. He was an accomplished poet; unfortunately, only a few of his poems have survived.

In 1950 Audie joined the 36th Infantry Division ("T-Patchers") of the Texas National Guard and served with it until 1966. He was a Mason and a Shriner and belonged to several veterans' organizations. Audie Murphy was killed in a plane crash on a mountaintop near Roanoke, Virginia on May 28, 1971. Fittingly, his body was recovered 2 days later on Memorial Day.

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(Enclosure 9) CMH Citation for Audie L. Murphy

2d Lt. Murphy commanded Company B, which was attacked by 6 tanks and waves of infantry. 2d Lt. Murphy ordered his men to withdraw to prepared positions in a woods, while he remained forward at his command post and continued to give fire directions to the artillery by telephone. Behind him, to his right, 1 of our tank destroyers received a direct hit and began to burn. Its crew withdrew to the woods. 2d Lt. Murphy continued to direct artillery fire which killed large numbers of the advancing enemy infantry. With the enemy tanks abreast of his position, 2d Lt. Murphy climbed on the burning tank destroyer, which was in danger of blowing up at any moment, and employed its .50 caliber machine gun against the enemy. He was alone and exposed to German fire from 3 sides, but his deadly fire killed dozens of Germans and caused their infantry attack to waver. The enemy tanks, losing infantry support, began to fall back. For an hour the Germans tried every available weapon to eliminate 2d Lt. Murphy, but he continued to hold his position and wiped out a squad which was trying to creep up unnoticed on his right flank. Germans reached as close as 10 yards, only to be mowed down by his fire. He received a leg wound, but ignored it and continued the single-handed fight until his ammunition was exhausted. He then made his way to his company, refused medical attention, and organized the company in a counterattack which forced the Germans to withdraw. His directing of artillery fire wiped out many of the enemy; he killed or wounded about 50. 2d Lt. Murphy's indomitable courage and his refusal to give an inch of ground saved his company from possible encirclement and destruction, and enabled it to hold the woods which had been the enemy's objective.